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PATENT

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Applicant:	Klaus M. Hahn et al.	Examiner:	Chih-Min Kam
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Title:	LABELED PEPTIDES, PROTEINS AND ANTIBODIES AND PROCESSES AND INTERMEDIATES USEFUL FOR THEIR PREPARATION		

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
REPOSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 7, 2003, Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, Group XIII, claims 84-90. With regard to the requirement to elect a species, Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, functional groups $C(CH_3)_2$ for R^8 , hydrogen for R^9 , alkyl-SO₃ for R^{10} , C=O for R^{11} , and SO₂ for R^{12} . However, Applicants respectfully traverse this Requirement for Restriction and request reconsideration thereof.

Moreover, Applicant respectfully request entry of the following amendment to claims 84-90